

CLAIMS:

1. An outer cutter of a reciprocating type electric shaver in which an inner cutter makes sliding contact with an inside surface of a curved portion of said outer cutter, said curved portion being formed by bending a thin metal plate, which has a plurality of hair entry apertures, into a curved shape; wherein said curved portion is provided at both ends thereof with blocking portions that cover both ends of a space defined by said curved portion so as to prevent cut hair from being discharged to outside of said outer cutter, said blocking portions being formed integral with said curved portion by said thin metal plate.

2. The outer cutter for an electric shaver according to Claim 1, wherein a thickness of at least portions of said blocking portions including boundary areas between said curved portion and said blocking portions is set to be greater than a thickness of said curved portion.

3. The outer cutter for an electric shaver according to Claim 1, wherein holes are formed in said boundary areas between said curved portion and said blocking portions.

4. An electric shaver comprising:

said outer cutter according to Claim 1, 2 or 3,

a supporting frame which supports said outer cutter in a detachable manner,

an inner cutter which makes a reciprocating motion while making sliding contact with an inside surface of said outer cutter, and

a main body case provided therein with a driving means that causes a reciprocating motion of said inner cutter and on an upper end thereof with said supporting frame.

5. The electric shaver according to Claim 4, wherein a top portion of said curved portion of said outer cutter is positioned above a top portion of said supporting frame.